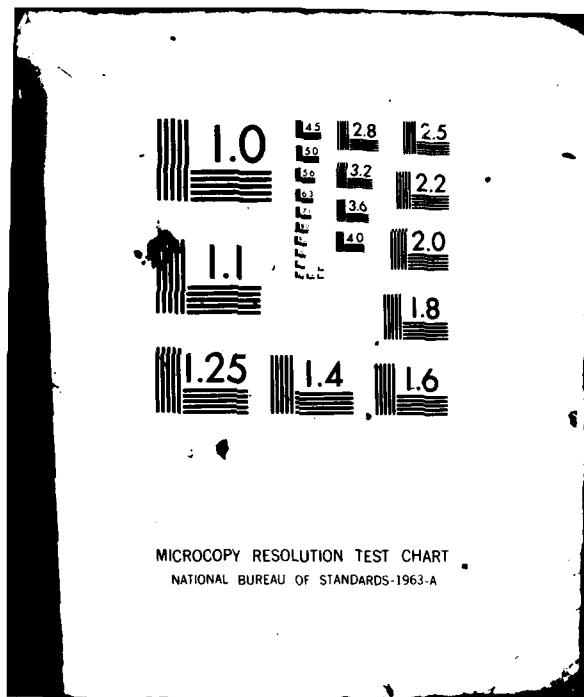


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## INTRODUCTION

The MD-1 heater is an electric motor-driven, portable ground heater used primarily for cockpit and cabin temperature control. This unit is manufactured by the American Air Filter Company, Inc.

This volume provides measured and extrapolated data defining bioacoustic environments produced by this unit. Such data are essential to evaluate ear protection requirements, limiting personnel exposure times, voice communication capabilities, and annoyance problems associated with operations of the MD-1.

This volume is one of a series published by the Air Force Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory (AFAMRL) under the same report number (AMRL-TR-75-50) as a multi-volume handbook that quantifies the noise environments produced at flight/ground crew locations and in surrounding communities by operations of Air Force aircraft and ground support equipment. The far-field, community-type, noise data in the handbook describe the noise produced during ground operations of aircraft, ground support equipment, and other ground-based equipment or facilities.

Volume 1 of this handbook discusses the objectives and design of the handbook, the types of data presented, measurement procedures, instrumentation, data processing, definitions of quantities, symbols, equations, applications, limitations, etc. Refer to Volume 1 (reference 1) for such information because it is not repeated in other handbook volumes.

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## NEAR-FIELD NOISE

### MEASUREMENT

A standard MD-1 heater was operated outside in front of radar docks used for aircraft maintenance, on a concrete slab, at a normal rated condition. Due to the proximity of the radar docks no far-field data were acquired.

Figure 1 identifies 36 noise measurement locations at a height of 1.5 meters above the concrete apron (nominal ear level of ground crew). The 0 degree reference direction passes through the tow bar. The 36 locations on the two inner circles are in the acoustic near-field of the source where the sound wave fronts generally do not spherically diverge and the source appears to be spatially distributed (i.e., not a point source). Consequently, these near-field data cannot be extrapolated to longer distances but do properly define the levels at locations close to the unit.

Near-field measurements were also made at ear level at the operator control panel. Table 1 lists the numeric/alphabetic designators used on the data pages in this report to identify the operator measurement location and test conditions. The designator 1/A means operator location 1 and test condition A. Such a descriptor is essential in many handbook volumes that involve multiple combinations of location/conditions. It is used in this report to maintain format consistency.

### RESULTS

The measured data presented in Table 2 define the sound pressure levels (SPL) produced by the MD-1 unit at the 37 specified, near-field locations. This table includes the overall, 1/3 octave band, and octave band levels. From these data one can calculate the variety of measures in Table 3 which are widely used to assess the effects of noise on personnel and their performance.

For data at other intermediate near-field locations (i.e., for radial distances less than 4 meters) you can interpolate between the 36 measured data points.

TABLE 1

#### MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS AND TEST CONDITIONS FOR OPERATOR NOISE MEASUREMENTS

MD-1 Heater, Duct Type, Portable  
Tyndall AFB, 19 June 1980  
NSN 4520-01-012-3055

Measurement Location	Operator Control Panel
1	
Operation	
A	3450 RPM
Meteorology	
Temperature	29°C
Bar Pressure	.761 m Hg
Rel Humidity	69 %
Wind - Speed	3.1 m/sec (6 Kts)

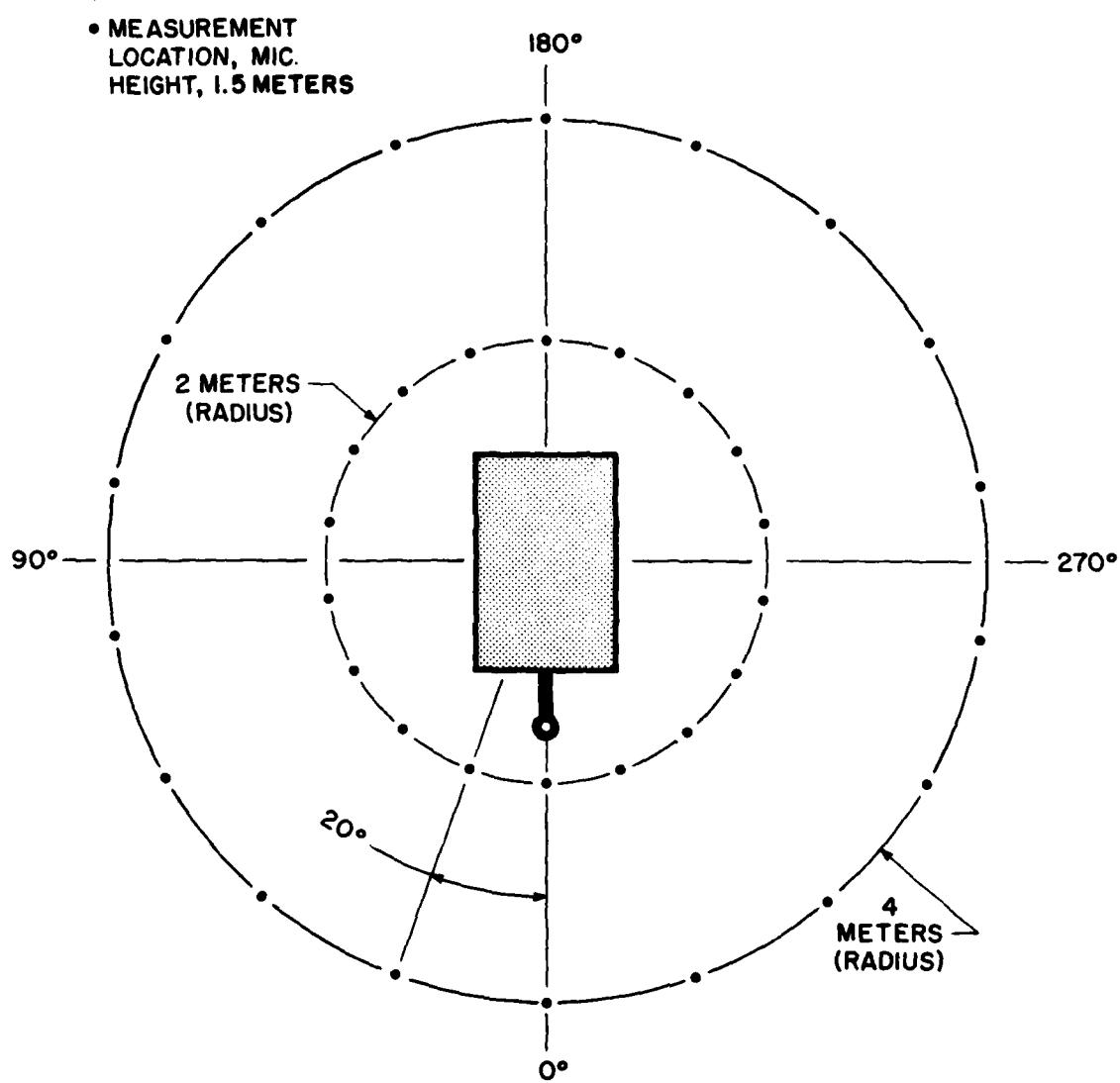


Figure 1. Measurement Locations

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MEASURED SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL (dB)													IDENTIFICATION	
1/3 OCTAVE BAND													TEST BA-000-005	
2													OMEGA 3.2	
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT	OPERATIONS												RUN 02	
MJ-1 HEATER	( 3450 RPM												)	)
GROUND CREW	(												06 APR 82	)
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS	(												)	)
	(												PAGE F2	)
LOCATION/CONDITION														
FREQ	DISTANCE (M) ->	4	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
(Hz)	ANGLE (DEG) -->	260	280	300	320	340	6	20	40	60	80	100	120	140
	CONDITION--->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
25														
31.5														
40														
50														
63														
80														
100														
125		73<	72<	76<	74<	76<	73<	72<	73<	71<	74<	73<	72<	)
160		70<	72<	70<	69<	68<	76<	76<	74<	69<	71<	72<	72<	)
200		69<	71<	60<	72<	71<	80	81	78	74<	71<	69<	67<	)
250		66<	68<	63<	65<	68<	80	81	78	76	71<	70<	69<	)
315		63<	62<	63<	65<	69<	75	76	73	73	69<	69<	67<	)
400		64<	64<	67<	71	72	77	76	75	72	69	69	67<	)
500		62<	62<	65<	69	69	76	74	73	68	68	66<	65<	)
630		64<	66	66	65	63	74	79	78	71	69	69	68	)
800		67<	61<	62<	64<	67	74	70	75	59	66	68	66<	)
1000		61<	61<	63	66	69	73	72	73	68	66	62<	64	)
1250		62	62	64	67	70	74	74	78	69	64	65	56<	)
1600		56<	55<	59<	62	63	69	71	69	64	60	59<	58<	)
2000		57<	59	62	66	65	68	71	70	65	61	60	59	)
2500		54<	56	60	62	63	68	71	69	64	59	58	58	)
3150		54<	56	63	61	63	68	69	68	63	59	57	57	)
4000		53	54	58	57	60	65	68	65	59	56	54	54	)
5000		50<	51<	56	57	59	64	67	63	58	55	53	53	)
6300		45<	49<	53	54	57	62	64	61	35	53	50<	49<	)
8000		43<	45<	50<	51	54	56	59	57	52	47<	47<	46<	)
10000		39<	41<	47<	48<	51	52	56	52	48<	45<	44<	43<	)
OVERALL		78	77	78	81	81	87	86	87	83	80	80	79	)

< LEVEL CORRECTED TO REMOVE BACKGROUND/ELECTRONIC NOISE.

TABLE I MEASURED SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL (dB)												IDENTIFICATION	
2 1/3 OCTAVE BAND												) UMEGA 3.2	
												) TEST RA-000-COS	
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT	OPERATION											) RUN 03	
MD-1 HEATER	( 3450 ROM											) 06 APR 82	
GROUND CREW	(											) PAGE FR	
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS	(												
FREQUENCY (HZ)	DISTANCE (M) ->	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	TEST CONDITION	OPERATOR LOCATION
	ANGLE (DEG) -->	160	180	200	220	240	260	280	300	320	340	1/A	
	CONDITION --->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
25													
31.5													
40													
50													
63													
80													
100													
125		73<	72<	74<	74<	74<	72<	71<	76<	75<	76<	80<	
160		72<	74<	77<	78<	70<	75<	73<	73<	72<	75<	83	
200		72<	76	72<	71<	67<	67<	66<	70<	75<	73	77	
250		71<	72<	71<	68<	65<	67<	70<	71<	75	73	75	
315		63<	67<	68<	67<	65<	67<	68<	69<	71<	74	72<	
400		72	72	71	68	69	66<	69	71	73	75	75	
500		68	69	69	67<	60<	65<	67<	67<	71	74	73	
630		70	71	69	71	67	67	67	67	70	74	74	
800		65	66	68	69	65	64<	63<	62	69	72	72	
1000		65	66	69	66	63	52<	64	63	59	70	70	
1250		64	65	72	68	65	63	67	66	71	70	72	
1600		60	61	61	59<	58<	57<	59<	61	67	68	65	
2000		60	61	61	61	58<	57<	60	63	67	59	66	
2500		58	59	60	58	56	56	56	60	65	68	62	
3150		57	58	58	57	55	56	57	60	64	63	61	
4000		55	56	56	55	54	54	54	57	60	64	59	
5000		53	54	53	54	53	52	52	55	60	62	57	
6300		50<	51	52	50<	48<	48<	48<	52	57	59	54	
8000		45<	49<	49<	48<	46<	45<	46<	49<	54	56	54	
10000		42<	44<	44<	43<	43<	43<	43<	46<	50	52	47<	
OVERALL		81	82	82	82	80	79	79	81	83	86	88	

< LEVEL CORRECTED TO REMOVE BACKGROUND/ELECTRONIC NOISE.

TABLE: MEASURED SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL (DB)												IDENTIFICATION		
2 OCTAVE BAND												OMEGA 3-2		
												TEST BA-000-005		
												RUN 01		
												06 APR 82		
												PAGE J1		
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT: OPERATION														
MD-1 HEATER	(	3450 RPM	)											
GROUND CREW	(	)												
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS	(	)												
	(	)												
LOCATION/CONDITION														
FREQ (HZ)	DISTANCE (M) ->	0	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240
ANGLE (DEG) -->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
31.5														
63														
125		74	74	73	74	77	77	76	77	75	75	75	75	75
250		73	72	72	72	73	71	74	69	69	70	72	71	71
500		77	77	73	79	69	68	74	71	71	71	70	72	78
1000		73	75	72	74	67	68	66	67	67	67	66	67	57
2000		69	70	69	67	63	61	62	61	60	58	61	61	60
4000		67	67	66	63	59	57	57	57	56	54	56	56	57
8000		59	62	59	56	51	49	49	49	49	46	49	49	49
OVERALL		91	82	78	79	78	79	79	78	79	75	78	78	78

TABLE 1 MEASURED SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL (dB)												IDENTIFICATION			
OCTAVE BAND												TEST BA-000-005			
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT												RUN 02			
MD-1 HEATER												) OMEGA 3,2			
GROUND CREW												) 06 APR 82			
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS												) PAGE J2			
LOCATION/CONDITION															
FRF2	DISTANCE (MI) -->	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
(HZ)	ANGLE (DEG) -->	260	280	300	320	340	0	20	40	50	80	100	120	140	
	CONDITION-->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	
	31.5														
	63														
	125	75	74	77	75	79	77	77	76	73	76	76	75	75	
	250	71	73	72	74	74	83	85	82	79	75	74	73	72	
	500	69	69	71	74	75	80	82	80	75	74	73	72	73	
	1000	67	66	68	70	73	78	80	80	73	72	70	71	69	
	2000	61	62	65	68	68	73	76	74	69	65	64	63	64	
	4000	57	59	63	63	66	71	73	71	65	61	60	60	59	
	8000	48	51	55	56	59	63	66	63	57	54	52	51	51	
	OVERALL	79	75	76	81	81	87	88	87	83	80	80	79	79	

TABLE I MEASURED SOUND PRESSURE LEVEL (DB)												IDENTIFICATION	
2 OCTAVE BAND												TEST BA-000-005	
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT	OPERATION											OMEGA 3.2	
MD-1 HEATER	3650 ROM											RUN 03	
GROUND CREW												06 APR 82	
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS												PAGE J3	
FREQ (HZ)	DISTANCE (M) ->	2 160	2 180	2 200	2 220	2 240	2 260	2 280	2 300	2 320	2 340	OPERATOR LOCATION TEST CONDITION	
	ANGLE (DEG) ->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	1/A	
31.5													
63												79	
125		75	76	79	79	78	77	75	78	77	78	85	
250		75	78	75	74	72	72	74	75	79	82	80	
500		75	76	74	74	72	71	72	73	76	79	79	
1000		69	70	75	72	69	68	70	70	75	76	76	
2000		64	65	65	64	62	62	64	66	71	73	69	
4000		60	61	61	60	59	59	60	63	66	70	64	
8000		52	54	54	53	51	51	51	54	59	61	57	
OVERALL		81	82	82	82	80	79	79	81	83	86	88	

MEASURES OF HUMAN NOISE EXPOSURE														IDENTIFICATION	
3														TEST BA-000-005	
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT		OPERATION												TEST BA-000-005	
MD-1 HEATER		( 3450 RPM )												RJN 01	
GROUND CREW		( )												06 AFR 87	
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS		( )												PAGE M1	
LOCATION/CONDITION															
DISTANCE (M) -->	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
ANGLE (DEG) -->	0	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240		
CONDITION --->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
HAZARD/PROTECTION															
C-WEIGHTED OVERALL SOUND LEVEL (OASLC IN DBC) AT EAR															
A-WEIGHTED OVERALL SOUND LEVEL (OASLA IN DBA) AT EAR															
MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE TIME (T IN MINUTES) FOR ONE EXPOSURE PER DAY (AFR 161-35, JULY 73)															
NO PROTECTION															
OASLC	81	82	79	79	78	79	79	78	78	76	78	78	78	78	
OASLA	76	79	77	76	72	72	72	72	72	72	71	72	72		
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
MINIMUM OPL EAR MUFFS															
OASLA*	53	58	54	55	55	57	57	58	56	53	56	55	55	55	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
AMERICAN OPTICAL 1700 EAR MUFFS															
OASLA*	52	52	49	50	50	52	52	51	51	51	48	51	50	51	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
V-51R EAR PLUGS															
OASLA*	54	55	52	51	48	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
AMERICAN OPTICAL 1700 EAR MUFFS PLUS V-51P EAR PLUGS															
OASLA*	40	41	38	38	35	35	35	35	35	35	34	35	35	35	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
H-133 GROUND COMMUNICATION JUNIT															
OASLA*	50	51	49	49	46	47	46	46	46	43	45	45	45	45	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
COMMUNICATION															
PREFEKRED SPEECH INTERFERENCE LEVEL (PSIL IN DB)	73	74	72	70	66	65	66	66	66	65	66	66	66	66	
PSIL															
ANNOYANCE															
PERCEIVED NOISE LEVEL, TONE CORRECTED (PNLT IN PNDB)															
TONE CORRECTION (C IN DB)															
PNLT	93	94	92	91	87	87	87	87	87	86	86	87	86	86	
C	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	

\* BASED ON CALCULATED SPL SPECTRUM UNDER PROTECTIVE DEVICE.

MEASURES OF HUMAN NOISE EXPOSURE													IDENTIFICATION	
3													OMEGA 3.2	
													TEST BA-000-005	
NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT	OPERATION													
MO-1 HEATER	( 3450 RPM	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)
GROUND CREW	(	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)
NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS	(	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)	)
DISTANCE (M) ->	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
ANGLE (DEG) -->	260	280	300	320	340	0	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	
CONDITION-->	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	
LOCATION/CONDITION														
HAZARD/PROTECTION														
C-WEIGHTED OVERALL SOUND LEVEL (OASLC IN DBC) AT EAR														
A-WEIGHTED OVERALL SOUND LEVEL (OASLA IN DBA) AT EAR														
MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE TIME (T IN MINUTES) FOR ONE EXPOSURE PER DAY (AFR 161-35, JULY 73)														
NO PROTECTION														
OASLC	77	77	78	81	81	67	86	85	83	80	80	79	79	
OASLA	71	72	73	76	77	63	85	84	78	76	74	74	74	
T	960	960	960	960	960	71	404	480	960	960	960	960	960	
MINIMUM QPL EAR MUFFS														
OASLA*	55	54	55	58	57	63	64	62	59	55	57	56	56	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
AMERICAN OPTICAL 1700 EAR MUFFS														
OASLA*	50	49	50	53	52	59	59	57	55	51	52	51	51	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
V-51R EAR PLUGS														
OASLA*	48	48	49	52	53	59	61	60	55	52	51	51	51	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
AMERICAN OPTICAL 1700 EAR MUFFS PLUS V-51R EAR PLUGS														
OASLA*	34	34	35	38	39	45	46	40	38	37	37	37	37	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
H-132 GROUND COMMUNICATION UNIT														
OASLA*	45	45	46	49	50	55	57	56	51	48	47	47	47	
T	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	960	
COMMUNICATION														
PREFERRED SPEECH INTERFERENCE LEVEL (PSIL IN DB)														
PSIL	65	66	68	71	72	77	79	78	72	70	69	68	69	
ANNOYANCE														
PERCEIVED NOISE LEVEL, TONE CORRECTED (PNLT IN PND3)														
TONE CORRECTION (C IN DB)														
PNLT	85	86	89	92	92	98	100	98	93	90	89	88	89	
C	3	3	3	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	

\* BASED ON CALCULATED SPL SPECTRUM UNDER PROTECTIVE DEVICE.

TABLE 3 MEASURES OF HUMAN NOISE EXPOSURE												IDENTIFICATIONS			
3															
( NOISE SOURCE/SUBJECT )												) OMEGA 3.2			
( MD-1 HEATER )												) TEST BA-000-005			
( GROUND CREW )												) RUN 03			
( NEAR FIELD NOISE LEVELS )												) 06 APR 82			
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( C-WEIGHTED OVERALL SOUND LEVEL (OASLC IN DB) AT EAR )															
( A-WEIGHTED OVERALL SOUND LEVEL (OASLA IN DBA) AT EAR )															
( MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE TIME (T IN MINUTES) FOR ONE EXPOSURE PER DAY (AFR 161-35, JULY 73) )															
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( PERCEIVED NOISE LEVEL, TONE CORRECTED (PNLT IN PNUB) )															
( TONE CORRECTION (C IN DB) )															
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\* BASED ON CALCULATED SPL SPECTRUM UNDER PROTECTIVE DEVICE.

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